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The Home Demonstration Agent and Her Job, 1955

A Composite Picture /1

	Average per home demonstration year	
	Virginia	Appomattox County
Home demonstration clubs or groups worked with	14	14
Homemakers in clubs or groups worked with .	328	282
Homemakers not in clubs or groups worked with	1,196	*
Total homemakers helped to improve home living	1,524	*
Voluntary local leaders assisting	156	96
Leader training meetings held	16	20
Meetings held by local leaders	119	216
Other meetings held by agent	218	410
Total meetings held by agent	234	430
Farm or home visits made	305	550
Office calls	247	466
News articles written	59	68
Bulletins distributed	2,695	4,758
Radio talks given or prepared for broadcast	19	19

/1 Statistical results of cooperative extension work, 1955 - white agents' reports only.

These figures are based on an average full-time demonstration year of 12 months' service per agent.

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*Reports not adequate.

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	Percentage of time	
	Virginia	Appomattox County
The home demonstration agent spends her time as follows:		
Extension organization and program planning.	26.2	13.6
Foods and nutrition	13.2	18.5
Clothing	11.6	21.8
The house and surroundings, furnishings and equipment	15.0	13.1
Community development and public affairs . .	4.6	3.3
Inservice training of agents	4.6	3.3
Home management	5.4	2.7
Family life, child development, and parent education	2.4	1.6
Family economics	1.8	2.5
Health	3.9	4.1
Safety	2.4	4.1
Agricultural and other miscellaneous work .	8.8	11.4

Virginia

Appomattox County

Time spent, 1955

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62% adult work

49% adult work

38% youth work

51% youth work

What Your 1955 Reports Show
From Annual Statistical Reports of Home Demonstration Agents - Virginia

	Average per agent year	
	Virginia	Appomattox County
<u>The Workload - white families</u>		
Number of farm homes (occupied farm dwell- ings).	1,318	667
Rural nonfarm homes	2,042	679
Urban homes	3,452	0
Percentage of farm homes changing homemaking practices	45.0	15% *
Percentage of rural nonfarm homes changing homemaking practices	26.0	3% *
Percentage of urban homes changing homemak- ing practices	12.0	0
<u>Individual Methods</u>		
Total farm and home visits made	305	550
Office calls	247	466
Telephone calls	769	794
<u>Group Methods</u>		
Total agent-held meetings	234	430
Attendance	5,181	6,373
Training meetings held for local leaders . .	16	20
Extension meetings held by local leaders . .	119	216
<u>Mass Methods</u>		
News articles published	59	68
Radio talks	19	19
Bulletins distributed	2,695	4,758

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